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Applicant : Beier Markus
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed March 13, 2007, the response term to which has been extended by one month by way of a paper filed of even date herewith, the applicants hereby elect Group I, namely claims 4-12 and 14-16, drawn to a method for producing a carrier for the determination of analytes.

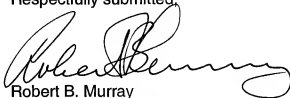
In response to the requirement for an Election of Species, for the receptors as recited in claim 5 the applicants elect nucleic acids as the specific receptor. If the Examiner is requiring a specific nucleic acid, then the applicants elect d(T) 15. This nucleic acid molecule is described in the examples.

All of the claims encompass the elected species.

Early and favorable action on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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